

## DRY CHRISTMAS PLEASES LOCAL SALOON KEEPERS

That the saloon keepers throughout the city are well pleased with the Christmas closing is the declaration of a prominent liquor dealer to a Farmer reporter today. Christmas had always been a bad day for business, there being a brisk patronage for only about two hours in the morning.

The custom of recent years of giving away Christmas packages had come to such proportions that the holiday was a losing one. Several saloon keepers have been away more than their total receipts would cover for the day.

## CAPTAIN POTTER IS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Captain George W. Potter of the oyster steamer Mary S. Lewis, one of the best known of the local oystermen, was taken to the Bridgeport hospital Christmas morning in a serious condition, suffering from a complication of ailments. Captain Potter's condition is a source of much anxiety to a large number of friends here.

## Alice Baker Freed From R. B. Rathbone

Alice Baker Rathbone of this city, has been freed from her husband, R. B. Rathbone, formerly of this city, but now of New York, by Judge Lucien F. Burpee in the Superior court. The evidence in the case was heard before a committee, Elbert O. Hull, and presented to the court last week. The committee recommended that the decree be granted on the ground of intolerable cruelty. The couple were united July 25, 1907, and the acts of cruelty started the day after the nuptials. The plaintiff was allowed the use of her maiden name, Alice Baker. She resides with her parents in Cottage street, and is a sister of Arthur Baker of Yale.

## DIED.

SEITH—In this city, Dec. 27, 1909, Joseph Clemens, only child of Mr. and Mrs. August C. Seith, aged 12 years, 4 months, 1 day.

—Funeral private from the residence of the parents, 73 State St., on Tuesday, Dec. 28th, at 9 a. m. and from the Sacred Heart Church at 9:30 o'clock p. m. Requiem mass will be said Wednesday morning at 8:30 at St. Joseph's R. C. Church.

—Interment at St. Michael's cemetery.

—Burlington Vt., papers please copy.

BROGHAM—In this city, Dec. 26, 1909, Henry D. Brogham, aged 30 years.

—Friends are invited to attend the funeral from his late residence, 136 Atlantic street, on Wednesday, Dec. 29, at 9 a. m. and from the Sacred Heart Church at 9:30 o'clock p. m.

—Interment at St. Michael's cemetery.

ROBINSON—In this city, Dec. 26, 1909, Martha Robinson.

—Friends are invited to attend the funeral from her late residence, 579 Lafayette street, on Wednesday, Dec. 29, at 9:30 a. m. and from the Sacred Heart Church at 9:30 o'clock p. m.

—Interment at St. Michael's cemetery.

IRK—In this city, Dec. 26, 1909, Myrtle Evelyn, infant daughter of John H. and Ida B. Tappen Kirk, aged 5 months, 21 days.

—Friends are invited to attend the funeral at the residence of her parents, No. 18 Wayne street, on Tuesday, Dec. 28th, at 2 o'clock p. m.

—Burial in Park cemetery. a.p.

WALSH—In Fairfield, Dec. 26, 1909, Margaret Walsh.

—Friends are invited to attend the funeral from the residence of her son-in-law, Thomas Gerrity, Fairfield Round Hill, on Wednesday, Dec. 29, at 9:30 a. m. and from St. Thomas church at 9:30 a. m.

—Interment at St. Michael's cemetery.

LEVERTY—In Fairfield, Conn., Dec. 27th, 1909, James A., only son of the late James and Catherine Leverty, aged 35 years.

—Funeral at the residence of his brother-in-law, William C. Kinnealy, Unquova Place, Fairfield, on Tuesday, Dec. 28th, at 9:30 a. m. and from St. Thomas church, Fairfield, Conn., at 10 o'clock a. m.

—Burial in St. Michael's cemetery, Bridgeport, Conn. a.p.

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## LOCO CHEMICAL NEGOTIATES A HEAVY ROAD

An electric wire connected with a cigar lighter in the drug store of Frank J. Ostrowsky, 546 Pembroke street, broke Saturday night, and short circuiting set fire to the ceiling. The storm was raging, but the horses of No. 2 engine company, No. 3 truck company, No. 8 engine company plunged through the snow banks and made good time getting to the fire. No. 1 chemical engine with skid chains on the rear wheels went through the snow as though she was a locomotive upon a sanded track, and about all that was visible of the machine while in motion were the headlights. The fire in the drug store was put out without great loss.

The firemen expect a busy season until the last of the Christmas tress is taken down. During three days the department has been busier than for some time past.

Mary Casey, 123 Milline street, struck a match last evening upon the sole of her shoe. A flying spark set fire to the couch in the Casey dining room. The firemen were called. They tossed the burning sofa into the street. The loss will be slight.

A defect in an open fire place was the cause of a fire in the home of Chary C. Smith, 95 Park avenue, on Christmas afternoon. The crew of the auto chemical chopped a hole through the floor and put out the fire.

A match from box 719, yesterday morning brought out the department to extinguish a fire in the chimney of the house occupied by the family of Policeman Charles Campana, 169 Stratford avenue. The damage was nominal.

A fire in a chimney at 85 Seaview avenue brought out No. 8 engine company on Saturday. Capt. Wilson extinguished the fire with hand chemicals.

Four times on Friday last the department was called upon to extinguish grass fires. No. 3 engine company went to Park avenue and extinguished a fire in some grass which had spread from a nearby dump.

The entire department was called by an alarm from box 193 on Friday afternoon to put out a fire in the lot adjoining the property of the Locomobile Co. of America.

No. 2 chemical Friday afternoon extinguished a grass fire in Fairfield avenue near Hancock avenue.

No. 1 chemical engine extinguished a fire in the lot adjoining the plant of the Parrott Varnish Co.

**NO TRACE OF  
DR. F. A. COOK**

(Special from United Press.)

Paris, Dec. 27.—Telegrams sent by the United Press to Dr. Frederick A. Cook at Nice were delivered, according to telegraph officials, to a person authorized to act for the doctor but no reply had yet been received. It is believed that Cook was at Nice but concealed his identity under an assumed name.

A score of correspondents from all over Europe are trying to find the discredited Brooklyn explorer.

**Deaths and Funerals**

Anna M. L., wife of Walter Berger, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August F. Mueller, died this morning at her home 1275 Howard avenue, after a short illness, of heart affection. Her death comes as a double blow to her bereaved husband, who two weeks ago buried their six months old child. She is survived by four sisters, Elizabeth, Minnie, Sophie, and Mrs. Martha Mosher, all of this city and three brothers, Ernest of New York, and Herman and William of this city.

Joseph Clemens, only child of Mr. and Mrs. August C. Seith, died at an early hour, this morning, at the home of his parents, 73 State street, after a illness of only three days. The boy was 12 years of age, and attended the St. Joseph's Parochial school, taking a prominent part in the Christmas exercises which marked the closing of that school last year. He was considered a very bright lad, and will be missed by his playmates.

The rights of the city to the site of the proposed public wharf on Yellow Mill pond have come into question. Chairman Padcock of the Harbor committee has called a meeting of the committee for tomorrow evening, when steps will be taken to ascertain the city's position. D. Fairchild Wheeler has made known his claims to ownership of rights in the property involved in the proposed public waterfront.

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Always brings savings that are not only apparent but real, the White sale has come to be a feature of the merchandising life of the store. Preparations for it are made far in advance. Orders are placed at the time when buying is to be done to the best advantage. Every facility of the store organization is brought into play in order to make it an event worthy and notable.

Never has there been a time when the benefits of this policy were more apparent than now. Today prices on all cottons and other merchandise included in the White sale are at new high marks. But values in the sale are just as great as ever. We, and you, are to reap the benefit of the preparations that were completed long ago.

## Embroideries.



Strips of edgings and insertings of special goodness, 4 to 5 yards in strip, worth 19c to 35c yd.—12½c yd.

Swiss nainsook and cambric edgings, 9 to 12 inches wide, nice quality, worth 35c yd.—25c.

# Winter white sale

To-morrow, Tuesday, the store inaugurates the Winter sale of white which presents staple merchandise of much attractiveness at prices that offer excellent economies.



Here are cottons and fancy white goods at prices far below present market price. Here is muslin underwear in attractive and new styles at prices that are not so great as the present cost of materials without anything added for the labor and the skill shown in its making. In every way the White sale is going to show the ability of the store to present timely and true economies. Here is some detailed news of what is ready but the real story of the savings and of the attractiveness in pattern and quality that makes those savings doubly-good will be told you much better by the merchandise itself as you see it spread out.

Embroidered edgings in dainty patterns, widths 1 to 5 inches, worth 12½c and 15c yd.—10c.

Good edgings of cambric, 5 to 9 inches wide, worth 19c yd.—15c.

Flouncings embroidered in attractive patterns, 27 inches wide, worth \$1 to \$1.75 yd.—75c and 95c.

Corset-cover embroideries of distinctly new patterns, some with lace trimming, worth 65c yd.—50c.

Cambric corset-cover embroideries, good patterns, worth 35c yd.—25c.

27-inch flouncings embroidered in good patterns, nice for children's dresses and gowns, worth 65c and 75c yd.—50c.

Wide flouncings for making entire gowns, 54 inches wide and of nice quality, embroidered in patterns of much attractiveness, worth \$1.50 yd.—\$1.

Fine and tasteful all-over embroideries, patterns run from large to small and are of much variety, quality is excellent, worth 75c to \$1.50 yd.—50c 75c and \$1.

## Linens and towels.

Huck towels, half linen, heavy weight, 19 by 36 inches, worth 12½c.—10c.

Heavy hemmed Turkish towels, absorbent surface, 23 by 42 inches, worth 25c.—22c.

Very-heavy fringed Turkish towels, 21 by 50 inches, worth 19c.—15c.

Good fringed Turkish towels, 19 by 37 inches, worth 12½c.—10c.

Cotton diaper, 18 inches wide, worth 55c piece.—50c.

Mercerized damask, 68 inches wide, nice patterns, good finish, of much wearing capacity, worth 55c yd.—50c.

All-linen damask in good patterns and of medium weight, 68 inches wide, nice appearance, worth 59c yd.—50c.

72-inch pure linen damask, excellent patterns and of serviceable weight, worth 75c yd.—65c.

Hemstitched all-linen table cloths, measure 64 by 82 inches and of nice weight as well as nice finish, worth \$2.50.—\$2.25.

## Sheet & pillow-cases

Bleached sheets, 81 by 90 inches, good weight, close-woven, worth 65c.—55c.

Fruit of the Loom pillow-cases, stout and staunch, nicely made with hem, 45 by 36 inches, worth 17c.—14c.

Heavy bleached sheets, 81 by 90 inches, with firm hem, worth 70c.—60c.

Good pillow-cases of stout muslin, worth 12½c.—11c.

White bedspreads of good quality, hemmed or fringed, some with cut corners, worth \$1.50.—\$1.25.

Heavy bedspreads of full size, pretty patterns, worth \$2.75.—\$2.40.

## Fine white goods.

Pure white waistings, in attractive mercerized figured patterns, 27 inches wide, worth 12½c yd.—10c.

India linen, 27 inches wide, worth 12½c yd.—8c.

Fine 30-inch India linen, worth 25c yd.—15c.

Plain fine lawn, 40 inches wide, worth 25c yd.—15c.

India linons, 30 inches wide, worth 19c yd.—12½c.

Sheer fine nainsook, 40 inches wide, worth 39c yd.—25c.

## Cottons.

Bleached muslin, 31 inches wide, worth 6c yd.—5c.

Yard-wide bleached muslin, worth 9c yd.—7½c.

Bleached cotton, 36 inches wide, worth 10c yd.—8c.

Fine 36-inch bleached muslin, worth 14c yd.—10c.

Dwight Anchor sheeting, bleached, 9-4 wide, worth 34c yd.—28c.

# Muslin underwear.

## Children's undermuslins.

Drawers

At 10c—Good muslin, cluster tucked, sizes 2 to 12.

At 12½c—Muslin, hemstitched tucked ruffles.

At 15c—Cambric, finished with hemstitching and embroidery.

At 25c—Cambric and muslin, sizes 2 to 14, ruffles of lace and embroidery.

At 39c—Cambric, ruffles trimmed with embroidery and lace.

At 50c—Nice cambric, ruffles tucked and trimmed with lace and embroidery.

Night-gowns

At 39c—Muslin, high or V neck, sizes 4 to 14, yokes of hemstitched tucks.

At 45c—Cambric and muslin, V or high neck and slip-over styles, long or short sleeves, trimmed with embroidery and cluster of tucks.

At 69c—Fine cambric, high neck and Bishop styles, yokes made of inserting and clusters of tucks.

Skirts

At 19c—Muslin, attached to waist, finished with hemstitched hem, sizes 2 to 6.

At 25c—Muslin with deep ruffle and finished with hemstitched tucks, sizes 2 to 14.

At 39c—Cambric, full ruffles trimmed with lace embroidery and hemstitching.

At 45c—Nice cambric in attractive styles, lace and embroidered trimming.

At 75c—Fine cambric, ruffles trimmed with tucks and embroidery.

## Night-gowns.

At 39c—Muslin with tucked yoke, all sizes.

At 45c—Good muslin with yokes of cluster tucking and embroidery, full width and length.

At 59c—Fine muslin in chemise and other good effects, V or high neck and trimmed with lace and inserting and tucking.

At 75c—Cambric in new styles, trimmed with embroidery and lace.

At 95c—Nainsook and cambric, attractive styles with tasteful trimming of fine embroidery and lace.

At \$1.25 and \$1.50—Fine nainsook and cambric in slip-over and other new styles, prettily trimmed and made with special care.

## Corset-covers.

At 10c—French style with edging of lace, sizes 34 to 44.

At 15c—Nainsook with ribbon trimming and lace edge, all sizes.

At 19c—French effects of nainsook, trimmed with lace and ribbon beading.

At 25c—Nainsook in new French styles, trimmed with lace embroidery and ribbon.

At 39c—Fine nainsook, pretty styles, trimmed both back and front.

At 45c—Soft fine nainsook, new French and fitted styles, tastefully trimmed.

At 59c—Handsome nainsook styles with lace yokes and decorated with medallions.

At 75c and 95c—Dainty styles of nainsook with trimming in excellent taste. Lace embroidery and inserting are all used.



## Drawers.

At 19c—Muslin with tucked ruffles.

At 25c—Cambric, ruffled trimmed with tucks and embroidery.

At 39c—Cambric, ruffled finished with embroidery or lace.

At 45c—Cambric and nainsook, full ruffles trimmed with embroidery and lace. Circular and Isabella styles.

At 75c and 95c—Nainsook and cambric, full flaring ruffles finished with lace and embroidery.

At \$1.25 and \$1.50—New circular and Isabella styles with handsome trimming of lace and embroidery.

## Long skirts.

At 45c—Muslin with full tucked and embroidered flounce.

At 59c—Muslin, sectional flounce with clusters of fine tucks.

At 75c—Cambric and muslin, deep flounce with embroidery or tucked trimming.

At 95c—Nice cambric, deep and full flaring flounce, lace embroidery or tucked trimming.

At \$1.25 and \$1.50—Soft fine cambric, several new and pretty styles, embroidery or lace trimming.

At \$1.75 and \$1.95—Distinctive styles with full flaring flounces, trimming of the Valenciennes lace or embroidery in new and attractive patterns.

At \$2.25 and \$2.95—Graceful and exclusive styles of fine fabric, richly trimmed with lace or embroidery.

## Short skirts.

At 25c—Good muslin with full ruffle, hemstitched hem.

At 39c—Cambric, ruffles finished with clusters of tucks.

At 45c—Cambric, ruffles finished with tucks and lace or embroidery.

At 75c and 95c—Fine cambric full ruffles finished with lace or embroidery.

## Combinations.

Corset cover and skirt, nainsook, trimmed with lace and ribbon beading.—75c.

Skirt or drawers with corset cover, fine nainsook, new styles, lace and ribbon trimming.—95c.

Corset cover with skirt or drawers, soft nainsook, new patterns, lace or embroidery trimming.—\$1.25 and \$1.50.

Fine nainsook combinations, corset cover with skirt or drawers, pretty styles with trimming of lace or embroidery.—\$1.95 and \$2.25.

Distinctive styles, corset cover with either skirt or drawers, nainsook, trimming of lace or fine embroidery.—\$2.50 and to \$5.

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